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INVENTION:

"MEDICAL SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE BASED ON MICROSOFT OLE/OCX AND AUTOMATION OR.

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants submit the references identified on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98.

As of the mailing date of this Information Disclosure Statement, the first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application, and therefore this Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

DISCUSSION OF RELEVANCE

Enclosed for the Examiner's review is a copy of a reference cited in the introduction to the present application, namely pages 680-697 of a book by Morneburg. Further, prior art cited in an examination report by the German Patent Office in the corresponding German application is enclosed.

Favorable consideration of the present application in view of the enclosed art is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sheet <u>1</u> of <u>1</u> Serial No. Form P.T.O. 1449 Docket No. 09/881,492 P97,1389 02 tment of Commerce **Applicant** Patent and Trademark Office K. DORN et al. Filing Date Group Art Unit LIST OF PRIOR ART CITED BY APPLICANT June 14, 2001 2152 (use several sheets if necessary) U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS Filing Date Examiner's Class Subclass If appropriate Initials Document Number Date Name AAAB ACAD ΑE AF AG ΑH ΑI AJ ΑK FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS Translation Class Subclass Document Number Date Country Yes No ΑL AM AN AO ΑP AQ OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.) Morneburg, "Bildgebende Systeme für die medizinische Diagnostik", pgs. 680-697. AQ "Software aus OCX-Komponenten", Microsoft System Journal, pgs. 25-38. AR AS ΑT ΑU Date Considered Examiner *EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.